## <u>REMARKS</u>

Applicant thanks the Office for the attention accorded the present Application in the November 23, 2007, Office Action.

In that Action, Form PTOL-326 indicated that the action was nonfinal. On page 6 of the Action, it was indicated that the action was made final. Applicant checked Private Pair at the USPTO web site and the electronic record indicated that the Action was nonfinal.

The undersigned called Examiner Hoekstra on December 10, 2007 and discussed the conflicting status of the Action. Examiner Hoekstra indicated at that time that Applicant should treat the action as nonfinal and to mention our conversation in the response to the office action.

Applicant has inadvertently omitted the above in the response to nonfinal action filed via EFS Web of even date herewith. Applicant is submitting this Supplemental Response to comply with Examiner's request.

Applicant believes that all of the examined claims should now be in condition for allowance as well as the withdrawn claims of the Group 1 invention. Early and favorable action is respectfully requested.

Appl. No. 10/616,139 Amdt. dated February 21, 2008 Reply to Office Action dated November 23, 2007

The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned, Applicant's attorney of record, to facilitate advancement of the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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